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SUBJ: NORWEGIAN REQUEST TO ASSIST US STRATOSPHERIC OZONE

PROPOSAL AND REACTION TO CCMS

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1. NORWEGIAN ENVIRONMENT MINISTRY DIRECTOR-GENERAL ERIK LYKKE, JUST BACK FROM CCMS PLENARY MEETING IN BRUSSELS, CALLED EMBASSY TO EXPRESS NORWEGIAN SATISFACTION WITH MEETING GENERALLY, HIS AGREEMENT WITH US INITIATIVES IN MEETING, AND HIS ENDORSEMENT IN PARTICULAR OF US PROPOSAL DISCUSSED WITH HIM TO HOLD EXPERT-LEVEL CONFERENCE ON STRATOSPHERIC OZONE REDUCTION WITH VIEW TO TAKING ACTION TO DEAL WITH PROBLEM. HE THOUGHT SEPARATE SPECIFIC CONFERENCE WAS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PREFERABLE TO TAKING MATTER INTO OECD NOW WHERE

SEVERAL NATIONS(HE CITED SPAIN AND FRG) MIGHT DELAY OR EVEN SEEK TO BURY IT.

2. LYKKE SAID NORWAY WOULD LIKE TO BE HELPFUL IN FURTHERING INTERNATIONAL CONSIDERATION OF OZONE MATTER AND WONDERS WHETHER US OFFICIALS CONSIDER IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO BRING US PROPOSAL FOR A CONFERENCE ON THE ISSUE TO THE ATTENTION OF PREPARATORY MEETING FOR ECE SENIOR ADVISORS ON OCT 30-31 WITH A VIEW TO ENCOURAGING SENIOR ADVISORS TO ENDORSE PROPOSED CONFERENCE. LYKKE BELIEVES SUCH ACTION MIGHT ENCOURAGE AND FACILITATE EASTERN EUROPEAN AND SOVIET PARTICIPATION, WHICH HE THINKS IS IN LINE WITH U.S. DESIRE. HE SAID HE IS WILLING TO BRING THE MATTER BEFORE ECE PREPARATORY MEETING IF U.S. WOULD FIND THAT DESIRABLE, BUT HE WOULD APPRECIATE AND RESPECT U.S. VIEWS ON THIS. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT GUIDANCE.

3. COMMENT: AS LYKKE'S CALL SUGGESTS, U.S. DEL'S ACTIVITIES AND ATTENTION TO LYKKE PERSONALLY AT PLENARY ARE LIKELY TO BE VERY HELPFUL IN GAINING NORWEGIAN BACKING FOR U.S. PROPOSALS IN CCMS AND IN OTHER FORUMS. HE HAD HIGH PRAISE FOR INITIATIVE AND POSITIVE ACTIONS OF US DEL AND EXPECIALLY ITS CHAIRMAN ADMINISTRATOR TRAIN. HE MUCH APPRECIATED ALSO INTEREST AND ENCOURAGEMENT THEY GAVE TO HIM AS WELL IN POLLUTION PROBLEMS,NOT ALL CCMS RELATED,OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO NORWAY.

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